(c) These equipments enhance access control, surveillance, explosive detection capability and augment security architecture at the airports.

Maintenance of Kamakhaya Temple in Assam

†*136. SHRI DWIJENDRA NATH SHARMAH: Will the Minister of Culture be pleased to state:

(a) the amount provided by Government during the last three years for preservation and maintenance of Kamakhaya Temple, situated in Assam State:

(b) whether Government have formulated any plan for beautification of the said temple; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF CULTURE (SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI): (a) to (c) The Kamakhya Temple is not a Centrally protected monument. The Ministry of Tourism, Government of India has sanctioned an amount of Rs. 151.27 lakhs in 2003 for provision of infrastructure facilities at Maa Kamakhya Saktipeeth, Nilachal Hills, Guwahati.

The following provisions were made in the sanction:

1. Improvement of Mekhala Ujua Path, providing and fixing of M.S. railing etc.
2. Improvement of side drain and culvert.
3. Toilet and drinking water facilities along Mekhala Ujua Path.

Tourism Industry

*137. SHRIMATI S.G. INDIRA: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the tourism industry has progressed during the last few years;

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